

# **House of Representatives**

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House Bill No. 5535

House of Representatives, March 28, 2006

The Committee on Judiciary reported through REP. LAWLOR of the 99th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

# AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRIVACY OF RESIDENTIAL ADDRESSES OF EMPLOYEES OF THE JUDICIAL BRANCH.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (e) of section 14-10 of the 2006 supplement to
- 2 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 3 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):
- 4 (e) In the event (1) a federal court judge, federal court magistrate,
- 5 [or] judge of the Superior Court, Appellate Court or Supreme Court of
- 6 the state or employee of the judicial branch, (2) a member of a
- 7 municipal police department or a member of the Division of State
- 8 Police within the Department of Public Safety, (3) an employee of the
- 9 Department of Correction, (4) an attorney-at-law who represents or
- 10 has represented the state in a criminal prosecution, or (5) a member or
- 11 employee of the Board of Pardons and Paroles submits a written
- 12 request and furnishes such individual's business address to the
- 13 commissioner, such business address only shall be disclosed or
- 14 available for public inspection to the extent authorized by this section.

This act sha sections:	all take effect as follows	and shall amend the follow	ing
Section 1	October 1, 2006	14-10(e)	

JUD Joint Favorable

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

#### **OFA Fiscal Note**

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill requires the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to disclose or make available for public inspection only the business address of any judicial branch employee who requests this protection. The Department of Motor Vehicles will be able to accommodate any additional administrative functions resulting from passage of this bill within its anticipated budgetary resources.

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State Impact: None

**Municipal Impact:** None

### OLR Bill Analysis HB 5535

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#### **SUMMARY:**

This bill adds Judicial Branch employees to the list of federal, state, and local employees who may ask the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) commissioner to substitute their business address for their residential address on DMV records available for public disclosure or inspection. Like other employees seeking this protection, Judicial Branch employees must provide the DMV with their business address.

Other public agencies are already prohibited from disclosing Judicial Branch employees' residential address.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2006

#### **BACKGROUND**

## Employees Eligible for Residential Address Protection

Employees eligible to have their home address protected on DMV documents are: federal court judges and magistrates, state judges, state and municipal police, Department of Correction employees, past or present state prosecutors, and Board of Pardons and Paroles members or employees.

Under the Freedom of Information Act, public agencies, other than DMV, are prohibited from disclosing the home address of the above-listed employees and past and present public defenders, Criminal Justice Division inspectors, firefighters, Department of Children and Families employees, and members or employees of the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities.

#### RELATED BILL

HB 5583, favorably reported by the Government Administration and Elections Committee, prohibits public agencies from disclosing their employees' residential address.

### **COMMITTEE ACTION**

**Judiciary Committee** 

Joint Favorable Yea 38 Nay 0 (03/13/2006)